

'Prayer Chain' – Urgent matters for confidential prayer support, can be referred to the Prayer Chain Group. Contact Joy McHardy or Val Judd.

'Confidential Healing Prayer 4 U' – In the Church House every Monday, 12:30pm to 1:30pm.

Tuesday, 'Prayer For the Nation' - 11am -12pm in the Church Prayer Room.

'Friday Revival Prayer'– Meets every Friday evening 6:30pm to 7:30pm at Joy McHardy's home (over the winter months). 266B Ormond Road. Enquiries to Stewart Patrick contact 0210470795.

FOODBANK.. Thank you for your faithful giving to this ministry. We have a large supply of breakfast cereals, tinned fruit, tea bags and toilet paper, however we would love help with the following items: **UHT or powdered milk, jams and spreads, rice, flour, 2-min noodles, canned tomatoes, veges & spaghetti, pasta sauce tinned fish, toothpaste, laundry washing powder and black rubbish bags.** We realise some of these aren't food items but they are essential to living a healthy clean life.



Focus on Servanthood – This week we acknowledge and thank Marilyn who has recently been seen spraying the weeds around the church complex as well as weeding the garden. God Bless you Marilyn.

Church DVD's now part of our Library & available to borrow from the church office Please use the notebook provided to sign out, & back in, each DVD. Current titles include; 'The Case for Christ', 'The Perfect Wave', 'Fireproof', 'Babette's Feast', 'Gifted Hands' & 'God's Not Dead 2', to name a few.

Baby Bunnies for Sale! Heather Dobbie's four baby rabbits are very much in need of a good home now. If you would like more info contact the Dobbie's on (06) 867 7934. Help spread the word please as the rabbits are growing bigger by the day!

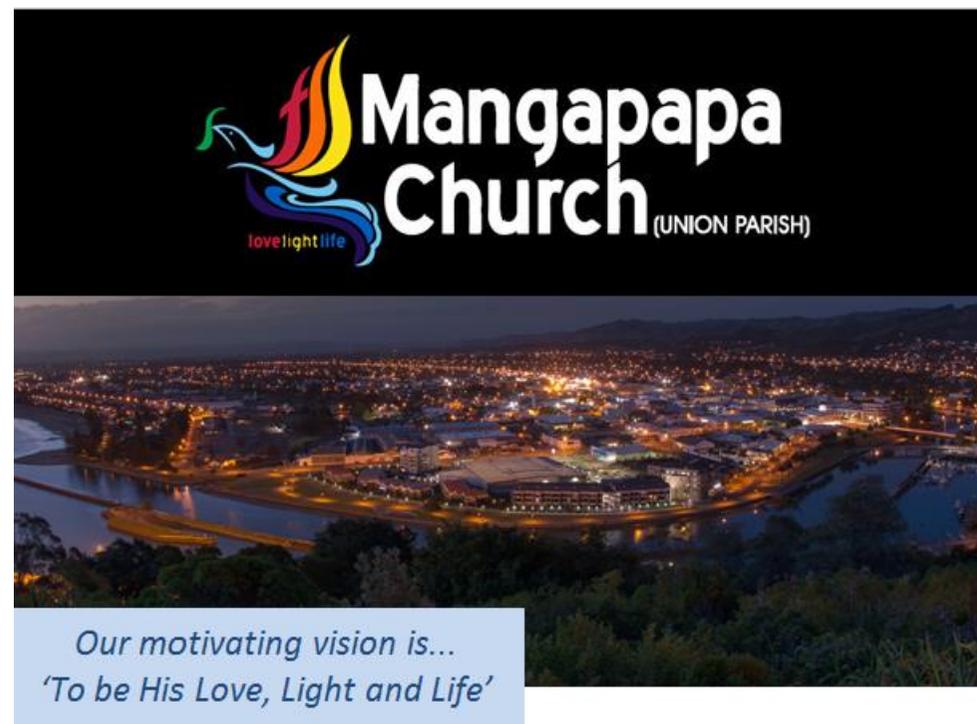
Can YOU Help Us? We would like any colour of unwanted exterior paint for some fundraising projects. Any tins, large or small would be greatly appreciated - Tabea & Joel Walker.



Friday 22nd September
'Wide Game' with the Ney's
Details on our Y.G. Facebook Page



	Today 17th September 2017	Next Sunday 24th September 2017
Greeters	H Paenga, L Frampton	N C & S Hawkins
Explorers crèche	R Theobald, Zoe Van Wyk	E Fuchs
Ministry Team	P Burrows	J McHardy
Cups of Tea	M Cosson, S Tulia, <i>Volunteer</i>	P & A Walker, M Smith
Flowers	E Oates	E Oates
AV & Sound	Peter Oram, Jackson Holland	Dione Russell, Paul Cosson
Counters	N Coffey	S Patrick



Sunday 17 September 2017

10am: 'Encourage One Another' - Testimonies Shared'

Leading: Neil Smoker Duty Elder: Stewart Patrick

6.30pm: 'The Reformation, 500yrs' Series – Part 1

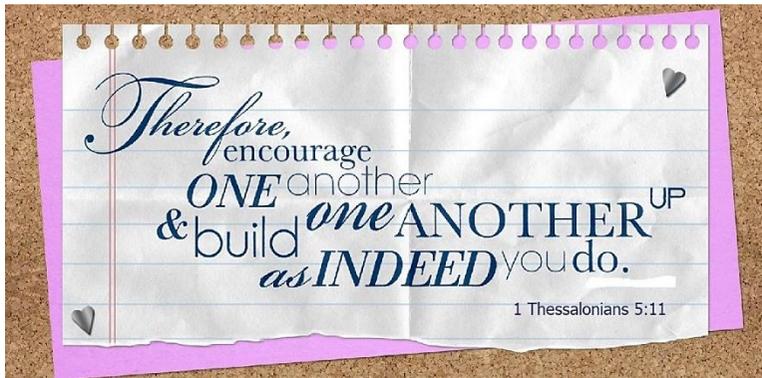
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*'Explorers' crèche is operating and available for 1-4 yrs.
'Kidzspace' Primary age children head out when directed.
'Matrix' Intermediates stay in today. Take a task sheet folder on the table to do while Speakers are on.*

Stewart writes...

Over this month of September, we are focussing on the 'one another' exhortations of Christ and the New Testament letters to the Churches, and seeking to put them into practice through our 'Connexions' small groups. Now today in our Worship together, and in the Service coming up on 1 October, **we are encouraging one another with stories and testimony from our recent faith journey.** We have three up to the minute encouraging stories for you this morning, from folk who are stepping up to share, in faith. John & Angela Paton & Marilyn Patrick.



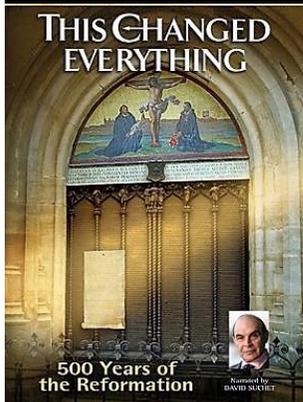
Connections' - '2's & 3's 'Cup-of Coffee Testimony/Sharing Time'



Last Friday night, 12 Y.G. teens went out in groups of 2, to connect with senior folk. Result – "That was so nice, so interesting". We had 55 folk participating in this past week! – It's not too late to sign up today and join in the fun & encouragement! Here at MUP, we want to delight in and prove, the simplicity of Matt. 18:20, i.e. recognising Jesus **presence** amongst us when 2 or

3 believers come together to share over a cuppa or go for a walk together, for say 45 minutes. We go to this with expectation of recognising His presence in one another and being encouraged by one another's faith. See the details and sign-up sheet on the auditorium table.

6:30pm Tonight – A new series commences 'The Reformation 550yrs'



The year 2017 marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation of the Christian Church, and 31 October marks the day 500 yrs ago when a little known Monk, pastor & University professor - Martin Luther, set it all off with his nailing to the Castle Church door in Wittenburg, his 95 theses. The end result of a tumultuous time, was the Church returning to the gospel;

Sola gratia, sola fide, solus Christus – 'Grace alone, faith alone, Christ alone.'

Come and enjoy over the next few weeks, this specially produced video presentation, discussion and study series.

Today, Sunday 17 Sept. 'Young Nicks Head Trek' – A Youth Group Event, Open to All.

12:30pm – 4:30pm Bill Wheeler is leading this trek onto Young Nicks Head. Fantastic views and we hope & pray for a fine day! Meet in the Church car park @ 12:30pm Sunday after Church, with your snack food and drink. Return 4:30pm-ish. As much or little walking as you wish to do.



For Prayer & Praise this week: Thanks Church for the positive AGM!

Here are some of the interesting points of our 104th Mangapapa Church AGM...

- **Iris McCoy** wins 'the most AGM's attended' category (& the most positive too!)
- We acknowledged the reliable long service of Communion Steward, **Gillian Stevenson**. That role has now been taken up by **Sharon & Philip Craig**.
- Not announced on the night, but since confirmed by elders – **Neil Smoker** will take up the role of 'Worship Music Team Leader'. Thank you Neil! This is a pastoral, inspirational & encouragement role for the Worship team. Admin aspects of rosters etc, will remain with the MUP office staff.
- A&F Team progressing plans to subdivide the Bryce St rental property, with a view to selling the 6 Bryce St house, and retaining a rear section with ROW.
- There was prayer together in small groups by the 40 attending, for the New Church Leader, and for the advertising that is now underway around N.Z.
- Thank you Lord for the financial provision we receive for all that we seek to do!

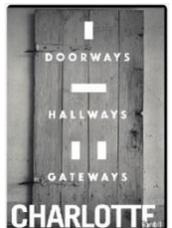
Wed. 20th September @ 7pm 'Doorways, Hallways &



Beautiful Women in the Lord

Gateways'. Women, have you passed through a doorway where God has shown you a glimpse of your future but on the way there you have become stuck in the hallway? Come and hear

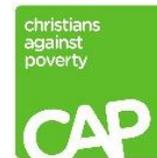
Charlotte Gambill teach on ways to get to the gateway of promise.



Sonrise Christian School Invitation: 'OPEN DAY', Tuesday, September

26 at 9am - 2 pm. We would like to invite you and your Church family to attend Our Open Day which includes a tour of the school, meeting the staff, activities and a BBQ.

CAP Money Course – We had 4 folk from the wider community commence this week, led by Kathy McGurk & Sepoima Tulia.



Nicola's CAPtion – I was very thankful that 3 people have offered to come on visits with a client in the role of support friend. God is faithful to His promise to provide for our needs! If you are still thinking of trying this role then please come and speak with me as I will have new clients next term who will need a support friend.

There is nothing the nearness of Jesus cannot overcome.